

Claims

1. A tool for use in a method of laying floor tiles, the tool including a raised hand or foot grip or step region mounted on a plurality of legs splayed outwardly and downwardly relative to the hand or foot grip or step region to thereby form a hand or foot rest raised to a working height above a floor or the like surface on which the legs are resting.
2. A tool as claimed in claim 1 wherein the grip or step region is raised about 100mm above the level of the bottom of the legs.
3. A tool as claimed in claim 1 or claim 2 wherein the grip or step region is raised on three, four or more legs.
4. A tool as claimed in any one of the preceding claims wherein the raised hand or foot grip or step region is constructed from a length of box or rectangular section metal.
5. A tool as claimed in any one of the preceding claims wherein the legs are constructed from a length of pipe, tube or rod.
6. A tool as claimed in claim 5 wherein the legs are inverted U or V shaped in side elevation.
7. A method of laying tiles using the tool as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 6 wherein the tool is placed in laid adhesive on an area to be tiled so a tiler can walk, stand or rest his or her hand or foot on the grip or step region to thereby make the tiler's task easier.

8. A method as claimed in claim 7 wherein a tiler can step in and over laid tiles and/or adhesive by using one or more of the tile spider tool(s) to effect more work while supporting themselves by hand or foot.
9. A method of laying tiles using the tool as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 6 wherein the tool is placed on a dry tile or adhesive free area so a tiler can walk, stand or rest his or her hand or foot on the grip or step region to thereby make the tiler's task easier.
10. A method as claimed in any one of claims 7 to 9 wherein the tool is used as an island platform to work from into otherwise unreachable prepared areas.
11. A method as claimed in claim 10 wherein the use of more than one tile spider allows the tiler to walk into a prepared area and allows the tiler to maintain a straight back and even shoulders while extending into and over a work area.